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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
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Before DELORES LOWE, Review Team Paralegal  
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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on September 22, 2008. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter requiring attention prior to docketing.

EXAMINER'S ANSWER  
Status of Amendments

On March 13, 2008, an Examiner's Answer was entered to the record. On page 2, the examiner stated that "[t]he appellant's statement of the status of amendments after final rejection contain in the brief is correct". However, on October 31, 2007, the appellants filed an amendment after final mailed on June 1, 2007, canceling claims 124-125, which was considered by the examiner in an advisory action mailed on November 15, 2007. A review of the file reveals that the examiner maintained the previous rejection. A clarification of the response is required. The Examiner shall notify the appellants, in writing whether or not the amendment after final filled on October 31, 2007 has been entered.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner:

- 1) for clarification of whether there is or is not to be entry of the amendment filed on October 31, 2007; and
- 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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